

DEFENDANT'S SECOND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

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Pro Se Defendant

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

Case No. 1:24-cv-02911-SDG

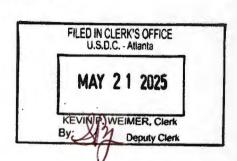
Natalie Soto, Plaintiff,

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Wendell Holmes, Jr., Defendant.

This filing is submitted as Exhibit A in support of Defendant's:

- Motion for Leave to File Second Motion for Summary Judgment,
- Response in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment,
- Amended Counterclaim.



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EXHIBIT A-E DOCKET REFERENCE SUMMARY

Defendant respectfully incorporates by reference the exhibits previously filed in this case, which are cited throughout this motion and supporting declaration. These include:

- Exhibit A (Doc. 69-1): Photograph from the Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church livestream depicting Defendant actively working at the time of his arrest.
- Exhibit B (Doc. 69-1): Screenshots and social media content contradicting Plaintiff's claims of emotional distress and showing voluntary public disclosures.
- Exhibit C (Doc. 69-1): Email correspondence from Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist
 Church officially terminating Defendant's employment following the arrest.
- Exhibit D (Doc. 69-1): Financial documentation reflecting Defendant's loss of income and wages due to the termination of employment.
- Exhibit E (Doc. 77): Recent text and social media messages evidencing Plaintiff's role in orchestrating Defendant's arrest, her efforts to defame him, and her ongoing harassment. Filed on May 19, 2025.

These exhibits have been filed with the Court and are incorporated herein by reference pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 10(c).

EXHIBIT TABLE

Exhibit	Description	Filled As
A	Photo of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church livestream showing Defendant working during arrest	Doc. 69-1
В	Screenshots and social media posts undermining Plaintiff's claims of emotional distress	Doc. 69-1
С	Email from Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church terminating Defendant's employment	Doc. 69-1
D	Defendant's financial record showing lost wages following termination	Doc. 69-1
E	Messages showing Plaintiff's intent and admission regarding the arrest, harassment, and defamation	Doc. 77

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EXHIBIT LIST – DEFENDANT'S SECOND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Defendant respectfully submits the following exhibits in support of his Second Motion for Summary Judgment:

Exhibit A – Photograph from the Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church livestream depicting Defendant actively working at the time of his arrest.

Exhibit B – Screenshots and social media content contradicting plaintiffs claims of emotional distress and showing voluntary public disclosures.

<u>Exhibit C</u> – Email correspondence from Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church officially terminating defendants employment, following the arrest.

<u>Exhibit D</u> – Finaicial documentation reflecting Defendant's loss of income and wages due to determination of employment.

<u>Exhibit E</u> – Screenshots of Plaintiff's recent text and social media conversations with a third party (E. Talley) showing admissions, harassment, and attempts to defame Defendant.

Each of these exhibits is cited in the accompanying Statement of Undisputed Material Facts and incorporated herein by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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This <u>2/</u> day of May, 2025.

Wendell Holmes, Jr., Pro Se

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this date I served a copy of the foregoing on all counsel of record via the Court's CM/ECF system and by email to:

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This <u>4</u> day of May, 2025.

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COMES NOW, Defendant Wendell Holmes, Jr., pro se, and pursuant to Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, respectfully moves this Court for an order granting summary judgment in his favor on all claims brought by Plaintiff Natalie Soto, and in favor of Defendant on his counterclaims. In support of this Motion, Defendant states as follows:

- 1. Plaintiff's claims are unsupported by admissible evidence and rely on disputed facts that are contradicted by the record.
- 2. Plaintiff has failed to demonstrate any legally cognizable damages resulting from the Defendant's alleged actions.

- 3. Plaintiff's claims of emotional distress and reputational harm are refuted by her own social media activity and ongoing conduct, which demonstrate no signs of trauma, fear, or financial hardship.
- 4. Defendant's counterclaims for malicious prosecution, defamation, and intentional infliction of emotional distress are supported by credible evidence, including Plaintiff's admission that she contacted law enforcement for retaliatory purposes and spread defamatory statements about Defendant to third parties.
- 5. Plaintiff's misuse of the legal system, including the filing of false police reports and attempts to interfere with Defendant's employment, constitute abuse of process.

This Motion is supported by the accompanying Statement of Undisputed Material Facts, the Declaration of Wendell Holmes, Jr., and attached Exhibits A through E.

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court grant summary judgment in his favor on all claims and counterclaims, and award any such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

This **2**/_ day of May, 2025.

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DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS IN SUPPORT OF HIS SECOND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Pursuant to Local Rule 56.1(B)(1), Defendant Wendell Holmes, Jr. submits this Statement of Undisputed Material Facts in support of his Second Motion for Summary Judgment:

- 1. Plaintiff Natalie Soto and Defendant Wendell Holmes, Jr. were previously engaged in a consensual friendship that ended in late December of 2023.
- 2. On or about February 22, 2024, Plaintiff contacted Defendant via text message demanding money and threatening to expose personal details to Defendant's wife. (See Declaration in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment)

- 3. After being blocked by Defendant, Plaintiff proceeded to contact
 Defendant's wife, sister-in-law, and church associates, sharing intimate
 images and making defamatory statements about Defendant. (See Exhibit E.)
- 4. Plaintiff admits in text messages to orchestrating Defendant's arrest on Father's Day, June 16, 2024, by contacting police while watching Defendant perform via livestream at church. (See Exhibit E.)
- 5. Plaintiff's actions led to Defendant's public arrest during a worship service, resulting in termination from his employment with Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church. (See Exhibit A and C)
- 6. Defendant was subsequently unable to secure equivalent work due to reputational harm and emotional distress. (See Declaration of Wendell Holmes, Jr.)
- 7. Plaintiff's continued harassment includes sharing nude images of herself and another woman with a third party (E. Talley), mocking Defendant's need for an emotional support dog, and encouraging defamatory social media posts. (See Exhibit E.)
- 8. Plaintiff has posted multiple videos and messages online that contradict her claims of emotional and financial distress. (See Exhibits B and E.)

These facts are supported by the evidence cited herein and establish that no genuine issue of material fact exists regarding the key issues in this case.

Respectfully submitted, this 2 day of May, 2025.

Wendell Holmes, Jr., Pro Se

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I certify that on this date I served a copy of the foregoing on all counsel of record via the Court's CM/ECF system and by email to:

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This 2/ day of May, 2025.

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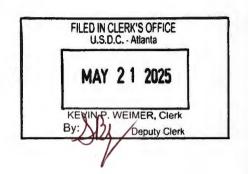
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DEFENDANT'S DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

- I, Wendell Holmes, Jr., declare under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:
 - 1. My name is Wendell Holmes, Jr., and I am the Defendant in the above-captioned case. I make this Declaration based on my personal knowledge.
 - 2. I did not unlawfully or intentionally distribute any intimate images of Plaintiff with the purpose of harassment, intimidation, or harm.
 - After months of no communication between Plaintiff and me, Plaintiff contacted me demanding money for a veterinary surgery and threatening to contact my wife if I did not comply.
 - 4. When I refused Plaintiff's monetary demands, she began contacting members of my family, including my wife and sister-in-law, and threatened to publicly expose me.
 - 5. Plaintiff also posted derogatory information about me on social media, falsely portraying me in a negative light to the public.
 - 6. Plaintiff's online postings and contacts with my family caused significant emotional distress, reputational harm, and disruption to my personal and professional life.

- 7. Plaintiff contacted my employer, Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church, and as a result of her actions, I was arrested during a church service on June 16, 2024, and subsequently terminated from my employment. As a direct consequence of Plaintiff's actions, I suffered reputational harm, lost my primary source of income, and experienced significant emotional distress.
- 8. Prior to my termination, I earned \$400 per Sunday service, totaling approximately \$1,600 per month, with additional income from extra services, teaching, studio recording, and musical gigs, often paid in cash.
- 9. The public nature of my arrest, combined with Plaintiff's online conduct, made it extremely difficult for me to secure future employment opportunities as a self-employed musician, including church work, private events, studio recording, and teaching opportunities.
- 10. I respectfully submit this Declaration in support of my Motion for Summary Judgment and in opposition to Plaintiff's claims.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 2 day of May, 2025.

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I certify that on May 2 2025, I filed this Response via email, which will serve:

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